

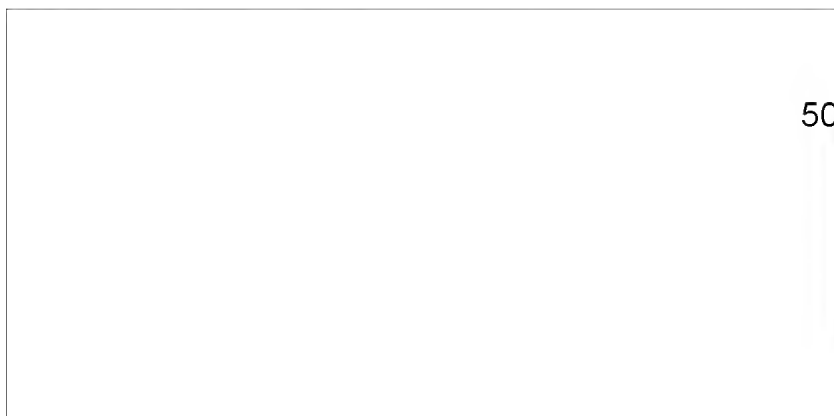
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THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

3 AUGUST 1961
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1. India's relations with
Communist China worsening



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2. Chinese Communists re-
iterate strident anti-
Americanism



Peiping yesterday published a six months assessment of the US administration depicting it as more dangerous than its predecessor and suggesting that Bloc strategy must center around a "head-on struggle" with the US. We suspect the stress on "coexistence" in Moscow's new party program may have helped to stimulate this new outburst of belligerence.

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3. Tunisian Developments

The Afro-Asian bloc is having second thoughts about an emergency General Assembly session, and have postponed action for at least another day or two. The Tunisians have pledged to seek a delay pending Defense Secretary Ladgham's Washington talks.

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4. New Congolese Government

The Adoula government's make-up represents overall a decline in pro-Western strength. Gizenga has been named one of three vice-premiers and another member of the Stanleyville faction becomes Interior Minister. Whether Gizenga will leave his Stanleyville stronghold to join the government remains, however, uncertain.

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NOTES

- A. An attempted space launch from Tyura Tam is imminent--it may come today. [redacted] [redacted] 50X11
- B. On the Chinese Nationalist plane, both Peiping and Moscow have so far confined themselves to 2-sentence statements noting the shootdown and the pilot's capture alive. [redacted] 50X1
- C. Sukarno told our ambassador on 1 August, evidently before receipt of the President's letter, that he wants to send his son Guntur, who is interested in a technical education, to an American college first, then perhaps after that to a Bloc country. [redacted] 50X1
- D. [redacted] Moroccan [redacted] leftists will stage violent demonstrations at the Kenitra (Port Lyautey) base this weekend or early next week. [redacted] 50X1 50X1
- E. An authoritative editorial in the Cairo press says that the solution to the German problem lies in self-determination. This may be a tip-off that Nasir will take a moderate stand on the issue at the upcoming neutralist conference. [redacted] 50X1
- F. The Pathet Lao, though still boycotting the talks in Cambodia, has dispatched one of its top men to consult with Souvanna. [redacted] 50X1
- G. Che Guevara will head Cuba's delegation to the Uruguay Conference. [redacted] 50X1

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No Sino-Soviet Bloc country intends to initiate direct military action in the immediate future.

CONGO: Regardless of the composition of the government which emerges from current parliamentary maneuvers, the country is likely to remain fragmented. Bloc and radical African nationalist efforts to supply the Stanleyville regime with military and other assistance are continuing.

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